The Legal Status of Determining Training Areas and Constitutional Basic Rights

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IDF training areas cover about a third of Israel's land and their legal status is regulated through an old ordinance that was part of the British mandatory Emergency Regulations, which authorize the military commander to declare a particular area a "closed area" by decree. This archaic legal arrangement does not conform to basic laws and significantly limits many rights including property rights, freedom of movement, and the right to personal liberty. The article shows the need to enact a new detailed law that regulates the allocation of training areas, to promote desired goals and values in every domain and in particular for state lands, which are a critical and limited resource.

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The Hegemony of the Defense Sector over the Electromagnetic Space

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The defense sector is one of the major users of the electro-magnetic spectrum (EMS) since Israel's independence to the present. Over time, with increasing consumer demand, the defense sector has been forced to give up parts of its control over the EMS, but most of it and the control over it have remained in defense sector hands. This is the result of an array of instruments, institutional and other, that have accrued over the years, which enable maintenance of its superior status in the conflict between the military and civilian sectors. This "conflict" over the EMS is another part of the complex relationships between the military and civil sectors in Israel concerning the division of state resources. This study addresses a field that has not yet been researched in depth: the space of the EMS.

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